

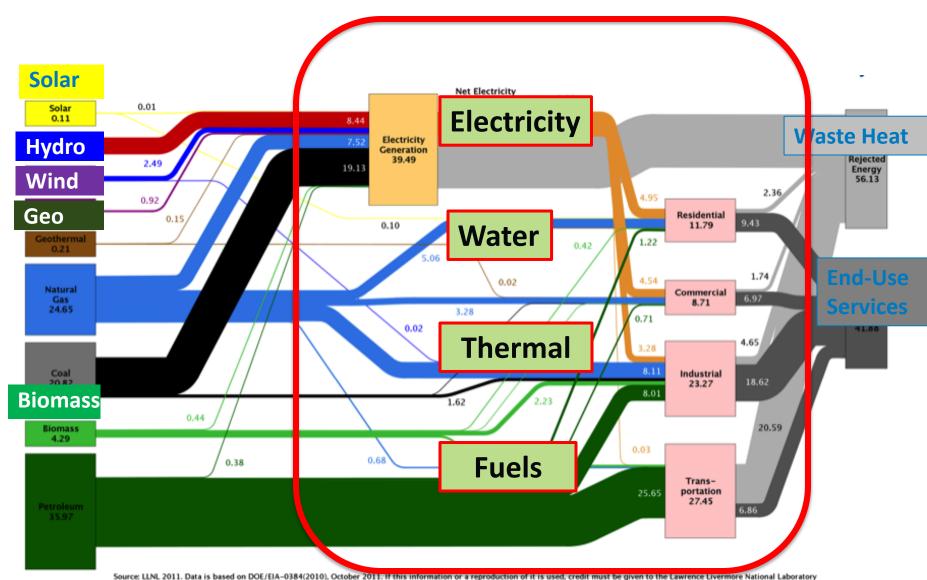
# **Energy Systems Integration**



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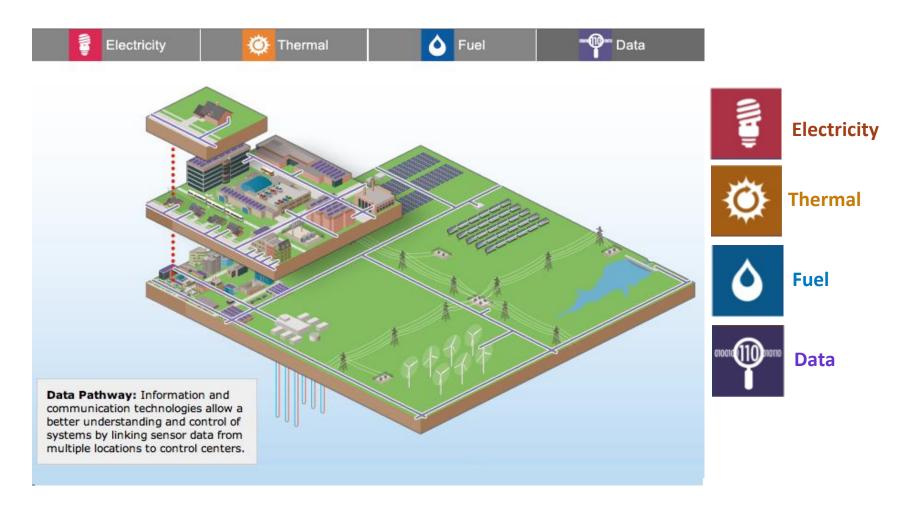
## Today's U.S. Energy System



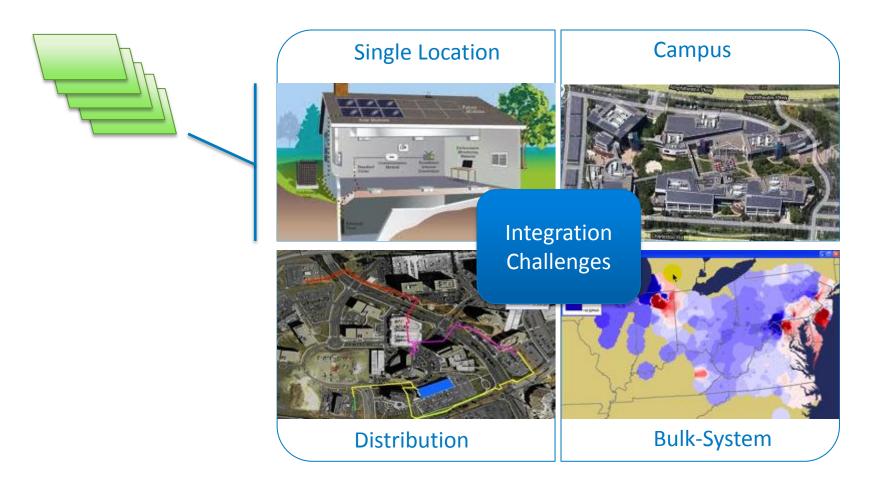
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### **New Approach** $\rightarrow$ **Energy Systems Integration**

**Energy system integration (ESI)** = the process of optimizing energy systems across multiple pathways and scales



### **ESI Goal 3: Integrate Across Physical Scales**



Apply this framework to the optimization of existing and future energy systems at a variety of scales

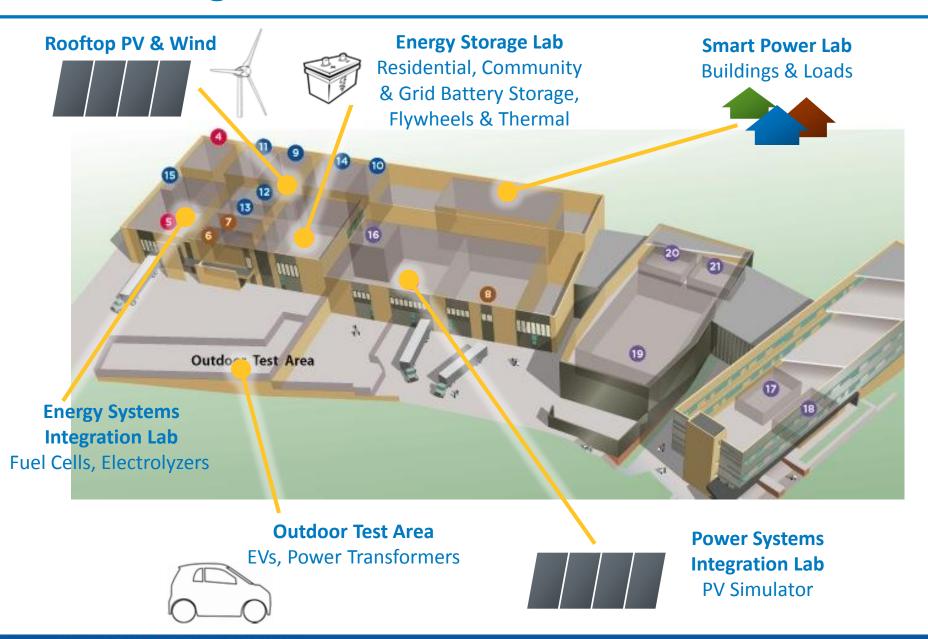
### **Energy Systems Integration Facility (ESIF)**

- NREL's largest R&D facility (182,500 ft<sup>2</sup>/20,000 m<sup>2</sup>)
- Space for 200 NREL staff and research partners
- 15 state-of-the-art hardware laboratories
- Integrated megawattscale electrical, thermal and fuel infrastructure
- High performance computation and data analysis capabilities
- 2-D/3-D advanced visualization



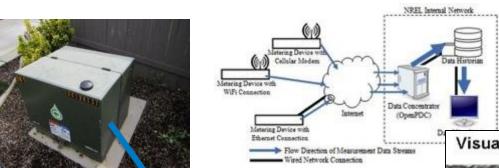
http://www.nrel.gov/esi/esif.html

### **ESIF Integrated Laboratories**

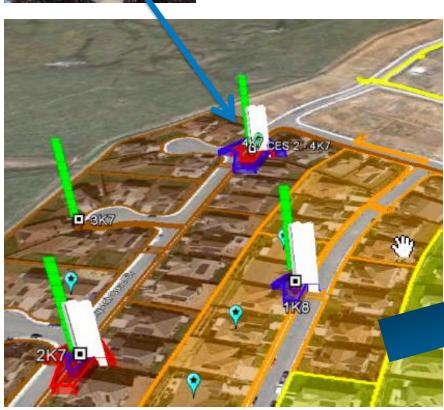


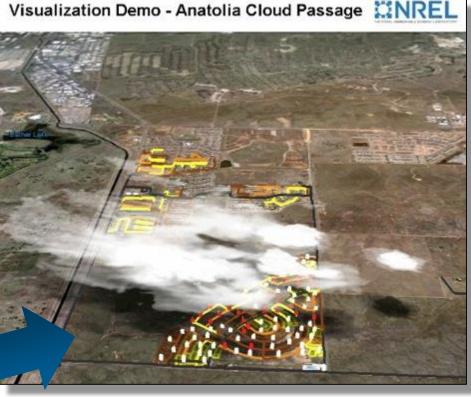
# What types of problems are we solving?



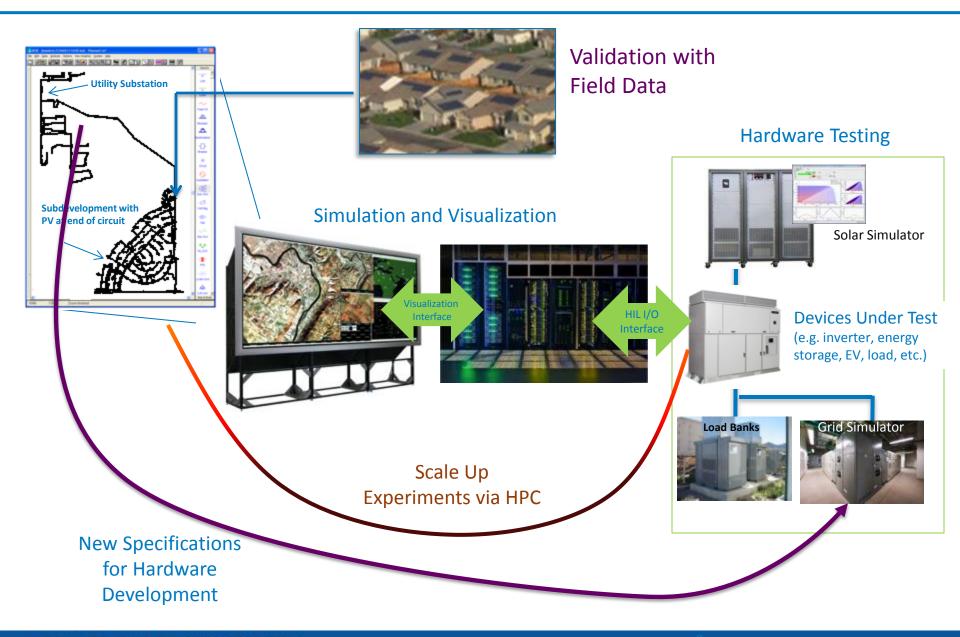


Understand and solving issues with high penetrations of variable renewables, distributed generation, electric vehicles, and controllable loads.

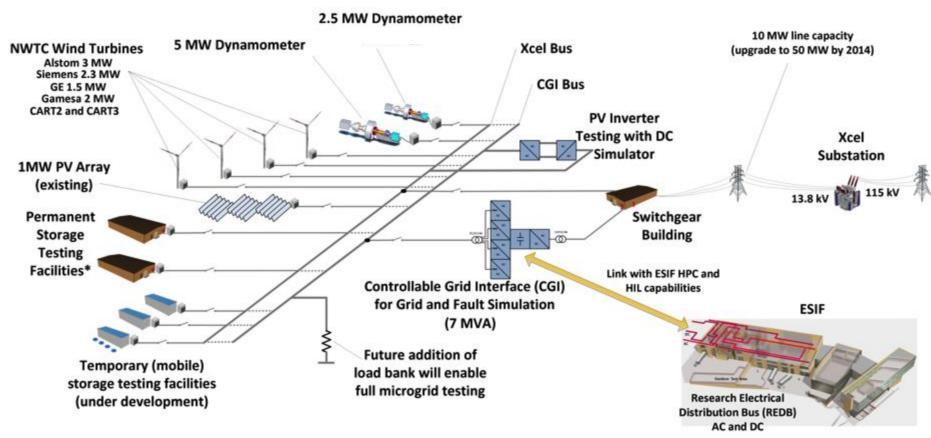




### **ESIF Hardware-in-the-Loop Capability**



### **ESIF Linkage to NREL NWTC**



<sup>\*</sup>Permanent storage facility concept is under evaluation

Enables joint experiments involving both transmission and distribution system elements

### **External Partnership Highlights**



#### **Energy Systems Integration**

- Google
- Advanced Energy
- + Toyota
- + Wyle
- + SolarCity and HECO
- San Diego Gas & Electric + SunPower
- + Southern California Gas
- + CSIRO

- Duke and Alstom
- + Solectria
- EPRI
- Houze
- + American Vanadium
- **Abengoa Energy-3D**
- Raytheon

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